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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF THAI DELEGATION TO IPU CONFERENCE

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1. THE 10-MAN THAI DELEGATION TO THE 61ST CONFERENCE OF THE INTER-PARLIAMETARY UNION (IPU), SCHEDULED FOR SANTIAGO IN EARLY OCTOBER, ALSO PLANS TO TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES. VISAS HAVE ALREADY BEEN ISSUED.

2. THE DELEGATION IS COMPOSED OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

MAJOR GENERAL SIRI SIRIYODHIN, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, PRESIDENT OF THE THAI PARLIAMENTARY GROUP, AND LEADER OF THE DELEGATION;

LT. GENERAL CHOTE HIRANYASTHITI (AND WIFE, BUBHA), NEWLY APPOINTED ASSISTANT COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMY;
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MAJOR GENERAL PRAYUDH CHARUMANI, DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE,

ROYAL THAI ARMY;

MAJOR GENERAL CHAN ANSUCHOTE, DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF THE
BUDGET, OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER;

MAJOR GENERAL DHEP KRANLERT (AND WIFE, PRANGTHIP),
DEPUTY COMMANDER, FIRST ARMY;

BOONCHU ROJANASTIEN, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, BANGKOK BANK;

DR. SNOH UNAKUL, DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE;

NIKOM CHANDRAVITHUN (AND WIFE, VARANEE), DIRECTOR-
GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR;

DR. CHOOP KARNJANAPRAKORN, RECTOR, NATIONAL INSTITUTE
OF DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION;

PARADA BURANASIRIR, ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY OF THE
DELEGATION;

SUPASIT MAHAGUNA, PERSONAL SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT
OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THE ONLY MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION WHO DID NOT ATTEND
THE LAST IPU SESSION ARE PRAYUDH, BOONCHU AND NIKOM.

3. THE DELEGATION PLANS TO LEAVE BANGKOK SEPTEMBER 27,
TRAVEL THROUGH EUROPE, AND ARRIVE IN SANTIAGO SEPTEMBER 27,
DEPARTING OCTOBER 12. MOST OF THE DELEGATION INTENDS
TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES IN MIAMI, ARRIVING AT 0830
OCTOBER 13 ON LA 156.

4. SIRI, CHOTE AND MADAME, DHEP AND MADAME, CHOOP,
NIKOM AND MADAME, PARADA, AND SUPASIT WILL ALL BE ON THE FOLLOWING
SCHEDULE:

OCTOBER 13 ARR MIAMI 0830 LA 156
OCTOBER 14 DEP MIAMI 0935 TW 489/419
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ARR LAS VEGAS 1356
OCTOBER 16 DEP LAS VEGAS 1445 TW 073
ARR LOS ANGELES 1536
OCTOBER 18 DEP LOS ANGELES 1130 TW 745
ARR HONOLULU 1243

NIKOM AND MADAME WILL DEPART HONOLULU AT 1455 OCTOBER 19
ON TW 745. THE REST WILL DEPART HONOLULU 0125 OCTOBER 20

ON TW743.

5. CHAN IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN MIAMI 0530 OCTOBER 10 ON LA 454. HE WILL DEPART MIAMI 0900 OCTOBER 11 VIA NA 041 TO LOS ANGELES ARRIVING 1110 AND TRANSFERRING TO NW 021 DEPARTING LOS ANGELES AT 1335, ARRIVING HONOLULU 1555 OCTOBER 11. HE DEPARTURE SCHEDULE FROM HONOLULU IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

6. PRAYUDH WILL FOLLOW THE SCHEDULE OF THE GROUP UP TO ITS ARRIVAL IN LOS ANGELES AT 1536 OCTOBER 16 VIA TW 073. HE IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART LOS ANGELES ONE DAY EARLIER AT 1130 OCTOBER 17 VIA TW 745.

7. SNOH IS SCHEDULED TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES ON OCTOBER 14 AT NEW YORK/JFK ON A FLIGHT FROM BOGOTA, BUT WE HAVE NO FURTHER DETAILS. HE INTENDS TO DEPART NEW YORK 1200 OCTOBER 16 ON TW 041 ARRIVING SAN FRANCISCO 1327 HOURS. AT 0830 OCTOBER 18 HE DEPARTS SAN FRANCISCO VIA TW 745 THEREBY JOINING THE REST OF THE DELEGATION WHICH ARRIVES HONOLULU AT 1243 HOURS.

8. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THE THAI NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY IS COMPLETELY APPOINTED, THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THIS DELEGATION ARE IMPORTANT IN THEIR OTHER ROLES. THAI DECISION-MAKERS CONSULT THEM. (SEE REFTTEL, WHICH WE ARE REPEATING TO SANTIAGO FOR INFO, FOR BIO DATA ON ALL BUT PRAYUDH, BOONCHU, NIKOM, AND SUPASIT.)

9. ACTION REQUESTED: THE RTG HAS NOT YET APPROACHED US ON THIS ISSUE, BUT SUGGEST THE DEPARTMENT INFORM RECEPTION CENTERS AND OTHERWISE FACILITATE THE TRAVEL OF THE THAI IPU DELEGATION.
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